(c) As on 31-3-1991, the book value of the Company stood at around (-) Rs. 397 crores after considering contingent liabilities. Since HSCO's shares are not quoted in the share market, market value of the undertaking is not known.

(d) The Plant was set up in 1922. While the entire plant is technologically obsolete, some of the facilities after an appropriate revamping (3 coke oven battries, 2 blast furnaces etc.) May be retained for use and thus cannot be considered obsolete.

Products of TISCO

2413. SHRI RAM AWADHESH SINGH: Will the Minister of STEEL be pleased to state:

(a) what is the quantum of iron ore collected annually by TISCO from Bihar, Orissa and Madhya Pradesh;

(b) what are the details of various grades of steel produced by TISCO including defective or sub-standard steel;

(c) what are the rates at which all the production units of Steel Authority of India purchase iron and other minerals useful for steel production and what is the total amount each company has to pay annually;

(d) what are the details of the amount saved by TISCO from each of its coal, lime, iron ore and dolomite captive mines and whether it is a fact that only royalty, cess and other raising costs have to be paid; and

(e) what amount Government receive from TISCO in the form of excise duty, and income tax?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF STEEL (SHRI SONTOSH MOHAN DEV): (a) TISCO procures iron ore from Bihar and Orissa only and not from Madhya Pradesh. It procured 2.715 million tonnes of ore from Bihar and 0.794 million tonnes from Orissa in 1990-91.

(b) TISCO produced 1.944 million tonnes of Saleable Steel in 1990-91, the break-up of which is as below:

Quality	Quantity (in million tonns)
Tested . . .	1·730
Off-quality .	0·098
Untested . .	0·026
Defective . .	0·090

(c) and (d) The information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

(e) TISCO has reported to have paid Rs. 128.91 crores as Excise Duty in 1990-91. It has paid Rs. 43.16 crores as Income Tax during 1990-91.

Revision of Land Rates

2414. SHRI ASHOK NATH VERMA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state;

(a) whether Government have issued orders revising the rates of Government land for Charitable institutions and neediness organisations registered under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 such as schools, hospitals, free medical relief centres, dharmshalas (yatri-niwas) etc.;

(b) if so, what are the details of such orders notifications for allotment of land at concessional rates to charitable institutions and neediness organisations mentioned above;

(c) whether Government have extended or propose to extend the cut-off date for another two years for public interest and welfare, prosperity their social and economic upliftment, if so, what are the details thereof; and

(d) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SMT. SHEILA KAUL): (a) Yes, Sir. The Concessional land rates for certain category of educational and charitable institutions have been notified for the perio 1-4-89 to 31-3-91.

(b) Land to the educational an other Charitable Institutions is allot ted at the concessional rates as under

(i) Land for education and medical institutions run by local bodoes	Rs. 10,000/- per acre plus 50% of the premium as Annual Ground Rent.
(ii) Land for recognised & aided educational institutions	Rs. 3·25 lakhs per acre plus 5% of th premium as AGR.
(iii) Land for entirely charitable institutions like charitable hospitals orphanages, schools etc.	Rs. 10,000/ per acre for the first 2 acres an Rs. 13 lakhs per acre for land in exces of 2 acres+5%of the permiuem as AGR
(iv) Land for charitable insttutions serving lower starata of the society engarging to the extent of running the institutions	Rs. 3·25 lakhs per acre for first 2 acre and zonal institutional rates ying from 16·25 to 52 lakhsfor lakh in ex cess of 2 acres plus 5% of the emium as AGR.

(c) and (d) The land rates are usually notified for a period of two years. Final decision on the land rates for the period from 1-4-91 has not been taken.

Delhi Watch Dealers Cooperative Housing Society, Delhi

2415. SHRI SAMAR MUKHERJEE: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have received any representations regarding alleged irregularities and malpractices in 'Delhi Watch Dealers' Cooperative Housing Society, Delhi;

(b) whether Government propose to appoint an administrator for the said society; and

(c) if so, by when and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI SHEILA KAUL): The Register of Cooperative Societies has reported that certain representations regarding irregularities and malpractices in Delhi Watch Dealers Cooperative Group Housing Society Ltd. had been received.

(b) and (c) On the basis of the representations enquiries under section 55 and subsequently under section 5 of the Delhi Cooperative Societies Act, 1972 were made and the report of the enquiry officers have been received. Appropriate Action will be taken on examination of these reports

2416. [*Transferred to the 18th December, 1991*].

M. R. M. Project Workers under CPWD

2417. SHRI CHATURANAN MISHRA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the services of some workers employed on M.R.M. project under CPWD were terminated in May, 1979;

(b) whether it is also a fact that they were subsequently allowed to join their duties in November, 1979;

(c) if so, whether it is also a fact that the period from May to November, 1979 was treated as deemed suspension and the workers were paid subsistence allowance for this period;

(d) if so, whether any charges have been framed against them so far;